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- 1. CODEL SCHEDULE HAS BEEN MODIFIED SLIGHTLY IN PAST TWO DAYS. SPEAKER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, CHONG IL-KWON, WILL HOST DINNER ON TUESDAY, APRIL 1, AT HIS RESIDENCE. MARCH 31 DINNER BY ACTING FONMIN HAS BEEN CANCELLED. CALL ON PRIMIN HAS BEEN CHANGED TO UNSPECIFIED TIME ON APRIL 2 AND CALL ON MINISTER OF JUSTICE HAS BEEN MOVED TO TUESDAY, APRIL 1 AT 1400 HOURS.
- 2. REGARDING MEETING WITH BISHOP CHI, WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT BISHOP WOULD BE GLAD TO SEE CODEL FRASER BUT THAT HE HAD NO PLANS TO COME TO SEOULD DURING CODEL VISIT. BISHOP SAID THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO RECEIVE CODEL ON MONDAY, MARCH 31, IN WONJU WHERE HE LIVES. (WONJU IS ABOUT TWO HOURS FROM SEOUL BY AUTOMOBILE). SINCE IT IS NOW UNLIKELY THAT CALLS ON PRESIDENT PAK AND PRIME MINISTER WOULD TAKE PLACE ON MARCH 31 (PARA 1), TRIP TO WONJU WOULD BE FEASIBLE. APART FROM BISHOP, WE HAVE HAD WORD THROUGH NCCC LEADER KIM KWAN-SOK THAT CARDINAL KIM WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH CODEL. THIS MEETING CAN BE ARRANGED BEFORE OR AFTER CODEL ARRIVAL.
- 3. POL COUNSELOR MARCH 27 RAISED QUESTION OF MEETING CONFIDENTIAL

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BETWEEN CODEL AND KIM CHI-HA WITH MOFA AMERICAN

AFFAIRS DIRECTOR YI SANG-OK. YI SAID HE HAD BEEN
INFORMED OF MEETING PROPOSAL BY ROK EMBASSY
WASHINGTON. HE SAID QUESTION WOULD BE PUT TO BLUE
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